

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

NRE APPLICATION OF:

Reyes, et al.

APPLICATION No.: 09/851,410

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FOR: ENTERICALLY TRANSMITTED NON-A/NON-

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CHARACTERISTIC EPITOPES THEREOF

EXAMINER: Mosher, Mary

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Petition for 1-Month Extension of Time

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant petitions for a 1-Month Extension of Time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action, extending the period for response to March 14, 2005.

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Applicant petitions for an additional Extension of Time if necessary for timely \boxtimes filing of this petition and enclosures.

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